PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 05552.1470

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

n re Application of:) \
Frank VITZTHUM) Group Art Unit: 1634
Application No.: 10/587,831) Examiner: R. Crow
Filed: July 28, 2006) Confirmation No. 6928
For: TEST SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR THE DETECTION OF ANALYTES)))

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions for a five (5) month extension of time to file a continuation application in lieu of a response to the Office Action of February 25, 2010. In view of the Notice of Appeal filed on August 23, 2010, the final due date for responding to the Office Action is March 23, 2011. A fee of \$2,350 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: March 22, 2011 By: /Jessica H. Roark/
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